

**Charles Dick to George Washington, September 6, 1755,
Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers.
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FROM CHARLES DICK, ESQ. ¹

Septemb. 6th. 1755.

SIR

I wish I had been at Home when you was pleased to call last Night, it might have saved this Trouble of writing, However as you desire I now send You all the Information I can as to the Commission as Commissary, Which I think I had from the same Authority you seem to have Yours, and with very full powers and Instructions. Agreeable to which Mr. Walker & my Self imbarkd. in the Affair, happily compleated what we had undertaken, I have sunk my Money in the Service (tho we were assured of being constantly supply'd) in confidence of the Publick faith that I shoud not suffer, instead of which I am denied my Money, Provisions Wagga. &c. contracted by us on the said Faith & Instructions for the use [of the] Expedition refused to be paid for, or to send Money to dischare [mutilated] for which there are Suits now commenced against me, have [mutilated] need my own Charges & not one farthing paid me for all I have done, As this is the Case besides 50 things more too tedious to mention, I leave you to Judge what Man can bare such usage.

As for retaining anything belonging to the Expedition it is not my Intention, As I have the Governors hand writing by me to Support & pay every thing we shoud engage for the Expedition, Else I assure you I should dispute any Obligation I had to give up any thing

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till it was paid for & I secured, So that Whoever you appoint may have all the right & Title I have over all the Stores belonging to the Expedition, You are pleased to be of Oppinion that if I continued at least till the Committee meets in Octobr. when they may obviate all my Objections which as they are not well understood by them, there will be a Necessity of my being there, else the same Usage I have had I should meet with, And any one to undertake the Business cannot spare the time to go to Wmsburg if I rightly guess or know what is or ought to be done as Comry. Neither have you made any Mention of what I should have in engaging in such an affair again, As I should now be thoroughly satisfied by a certain Agreement well knowing what it is to leave Things undetermined in serving the Public.

I am Sir **Your** very Obedt. Humble Servt. CHAS. DICK.

Indian Goods at Fort Cumberland Sept. 17th. 1755.

2 pr. red Stroud

1 half pr. blue do.

6 blue Strouds

3 pr. blue ½ Thick

2 pr. white do

3 half ps. do

2 ps. red do

33 p blue Indian Stockgs.

3 ps. Imbost Large

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¾ of a pr. Garlix

4 doz. 11 plain Shirts

3 doz. 3 Boys do

8 ps. Stuffs & Callimanco

1 pr. Str Gr. holland

6 Laced Hats

6 ps. brd. Ribbon

4 large Hat feathers

2 parcels gold & Silver Tassells

14 ? Vermilion

6 Small lookg. glasses

3 doz. large knives

2 doz. Clasp do.

8 doz. brass mounted knives

3 papers Rings

1 paper Sleeve Buttons

5 do. Beads

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3 large brass kettles

1 small do

1 paper Auls

4 Coyls brass Wire large

12 Coyls Small do.

In the Chest with Sundries

9 Rolls fig. gartering

Rolls red do.

Parcels Thread

1 Doz 11 Mens ruffled Shirts

2 Doz 10 p Wome. Stockings

14 Mens worsted Caps a remnant of Callicos

8 Silver Meddals

8 yd. of Ribbon a quantity of black & a large parcelty of white Wampume

1 fine Laced Coat

4 fine Wastcoats &c

2 p Breeches

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4 Indian Guns

20 Cutlashes

4 p. Side Pistols

The above taken from Col. Innes's List left by him —

CHAS DICK —

1 A merchant in Alexandria, and one of the trustees named in the act incorporating the town. The family of Dick was long on terms of intimacy with that of Washington, and Dr. Elisha C. Dick was one of the attending physicians of the President in his last illness.—BROCK.